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APPLICANT(S) Kazuyuki Nako et al. EXAMINER: Carter, Tia A.
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AND MEDIUM ON WHICH IMAGE PROCESSING PROGRAM IS
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

The following is in response to the Office Action mailed March 18, 2005, in the above referenced application.

A petition has been filed herewith requesting a one (1) month extension of time to month May 18, 2005, to respond to the above referenced Office Action. Applicants also conditionally petition for a further extension time to provide for the possibility that the need for such a petition is required. As indicated below, please charge Deposit Account No. 04-1105 for the required fee.

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Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.